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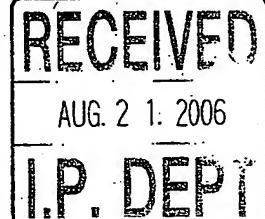
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International application No. PCT/JP2004/015325	International filing date (day/month/year) 08 October 2004 (08.10.2004)	Priority date (day/month/year) 08 October 2003 (08.10.2003)	
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237			
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**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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International application No.

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Box No. I

Basis of this opinion

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 table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
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Box No. V

Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-39	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-39	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-39	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Document 1: WO 02/31140 A1 (Kyowa Hakko Kogyo Co., Ltd.), 18 April 2002

Claims 1-39 do not involve an inventive step in the light of documents 1. Document 1 discloses a method for producing recombinant antibody molecules having complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains in the Fc region in which fucose is not bound to N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of the sugar chain, by culturing transformants produced by introducing DNA coding an antibody molecule into cells the genome of which has been improved such that they lack activity of an enzyme which contributes to synthesis of the intracellular sugar nucleotide GDP-fucose, or of an enzyme which contributes to sugar chain modification whereby position 1 of fucose is α -bonded to position 6 in the N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains. Document 1 also discloses producing antibody molecules as fusion proteins. Since fusion proteins of the Fc region of an antibody together with a binding protein were well known prior to the present application, a person skilled in the art could easily, with reference to document 1, produce cells in which both alleles of a

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

gene which codes an enzyme which contributes to synthesis of the intracellular sugar nucleotide GDP-fucose, or an enzyme which contributes to sugar chain modification whereby position 1 of fucose is α -bonded to position 6 in N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains, have been disrupted so that they lack the activity of said enzyme, and introduce into said cells DNA coding a fusion protein of the Fc region of an antibody together with a binding protein, to produce a composition comprising a fusion protein of a binding protein together with an antibody Fc region which has complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains in which fucose is not bound to N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of the sugar chain.

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Box No. VI Certain documents cited

1. Certain published documents (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.10)

Application No. Patent No.	Publication date (day/month/year)	Filing date (day/month/year)	Priority date (valid claim) (day/month/year)
WO 03/85107 A1 [P,X]	16.10.2003	09.04.2003	09.04.2002
WO 03/85118 A1 [P,X]	16.10.2003	09.04.2003	09.04.2002

2. Non-written disclosures (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.9)

Kind of non-written disclosure	Date of non-written disclosure (day/month/year)	Date of written disclosure referring to non-written disclosure (day/month/year)